labour system on its own. Section 10 of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 provides for consultation with the Central Advisory Contract Labour Board before any decision in the matter of prohibition of contract labour system in any process/opration is taken by the appropriate Government, that is the Ministry of Labour in this case. The ministry of Labour convened a meeting of the Central Advisory Contract Labour Board to consider the issue. In the meeting it was decided to constitute a new tripartite committee for study and necessary recommendations.

Parallel B.G. line between Madurai and Maniyachi in Southern Railway

3694. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any final decision has been taken regarding the representation of having parallel B.G. line between Madurai and Maniyachi in Southern Railway ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to connect Madras with Madurai by a parallel B.G. line ;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been decided to convert Madurai-Maniyachchi MG route into BG.

(c) to (e) No. Sir. However, conversion of Madras-Tiruchchirappally (*via* Chord)-Dindigul has been included in the Budget for 1992-93.

Conversion between Dindigul-Madurai and Maniyachi

3695. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state :

(a) whether the M.G. line *via* Manmadurai in Southern Railway has become important in view of conversions taking place between Dindigul, Madurai and Maniyachi ;

(b) whether Government have made any study on Passenger and goods traffic to be handled through this line ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ;

(d) whether Govt. propose to modernise Manmadurai Junction under Model Railway stations scheme ;

(e) if so, the details thereof ; and

(f) if not the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Development/modernisation of stations is undertaken on need-based programme depending on the growth in traffic and subject to availability of funds.

हरियाणा और राजस्थान के जिला मुख्यालयों को रेल-मार्ग से जोड़ा जाना

3696. श्री महेन्द्र सिंह लाठर : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हरियाणा और राजस्थान के अनेक जिला-मुख्यालयों